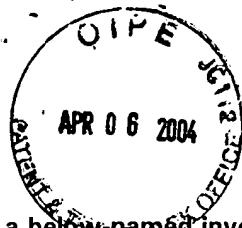


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ROLL ASSEMBLY FOR A ROLLING MILL

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